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" 6 " " 4 " " "
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GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager.

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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

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No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, August 16, 1881.

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(Incorporated 17th & 18th March, 1845.)

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th April, 1863.

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E. SCHWABLIN, Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 12, 1881.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES GRANTED at current rates on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

The Company's Assets, consisting of the Profits of Association, Two-thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH, Secretary.

Hongkong, April 6, 1881.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself as Merchant and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style of HERBERT DENT & Co.

HERBERT DENT.

Canton, September 1, 1881. del

NOTICE.

MR. F. D. BUSH is hereby authorized to Sign our Firm per Procuration.

RUSSELL & Co.

China, September 22, 1881. ac22

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their GOODS by Messrs KYNOC & Co., of WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 13au82

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LADIES' DRESSES, complete but un-

LADIES' COSTUMES, ready-made.

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An Assortment of FLOWERS for LADIES' BONNETS and HATS.

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Pints, £17 per 2 doz.

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The Foreign Trade of China during 1880.

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Notice of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Tax Ch'an of Ching.

Lions and Bears; A Strange Story.

The Levirate in China.

A Chinese Aristocrat.

The Primitive Codification of Chinese Law.

A Clipping from the Tso Chuan.

Housewarming.

Human Sacrifices.

Insect-Wax.

A Chinese Febrifuge (地黃).

The Japanese make a raid on Che Kiang.

Bengal K'lin.

Giraffes and Zebras sent as Tribute.

An Imperial Settlement of the Term Question.

Couriers.

大國會典

Military Precedence.

The Chinese Confederated States of the Spring.

Customs of the Ming Dynasty.

A Fantastic Trick.

The Olanchin.

The King Sheng.

屯田

Chinese Quips.

The Ancient Chinese.

Manchu and Bannermen exempted from the heavy Bamboo and the Cane.

A Coincidence.

The Rules of the Service.

The Six Boards at Peking and Nanking.

A Point in Precedence.

China's Sorrow.

A Slip of the Cup.

廣東

Aborigines at Canton and Fookchow.

The Persian and Chinese Drama.

Errata.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

Hongkong, September 28, 1881.

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Intimations.

NOTICE.

It is hereby notified that no Accounts or Bills contracted on account of S.S. Hungarian will be recognized unless countersigned by Captain WM. McD. ALBION.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents of S.S. Hungarian.

Hongkong, September 30, 1881.

TUITION IN FRENCH LANGUAGE.

by MONSIEUR LOUIS PIRON, Sr., SINGING (CULTURE OF THE VOICE) by MONSIEUR EUGENE PIRON, Jr.

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FINEST "Highlander,"
At Wholesale Prices.200 logs FINE AMERICAN FURNISHING
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7 inches.50 barrels Prime American MEAT PORK,
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100 barrels DRIED APPLES.500 cases FLORIDA WATER.
50 barrels AMERICAN TAR.15 " LAMP BLACK.
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TON, OYSTERS, LOBSTERS, CORN,TOMATOES, CANNED BEEF, CONDENSED
MILK, TOMATO CATSUP, HANDSPIKES,OAKUM, ASH OARS, MAPLE, ASH,
and White Pine PLANKS.Florence COOKING STOVES,
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ROCKING CHAIRS.DINING-ROOM CHAIRS.
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HOUSEHOLD STORES.THERMOGRAPH DESSERT FRUITS.
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FOX PATE.OX PALATES.
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FRUITS for Dessert.SHERBET.
COCOATINA.VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
EPPE'S COCOA.ROBINSON'S GELATINE.
RUSSIA OX-TONGUES.FRENCH PLUMS.
PATE DE FOIE GRAS.SARDINES.
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Assorted PICKLES.MINCEMEAT.
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MEATS.Richardson & Robbin's Carried OYSTERS.
Lunch TONGUE.Assorted American SYRUPS, for Sum-
mer Drinks.McCarthy's Sugar LEMONADE.
CLAM CHOWDER.CODFISH BALLS.
GREEN TURTLE in 24 lb cans.

Mails.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE
AND INLAND SEA.THE S.S. NIPPON MARU, Capt.
L. Wren, will be despatched above
on FRIDAY, the 14th October, at 4 p.m.
Cargo received on board and parcels at
the Office up to 2 p.m. of 13th October.
No Bill of Lading signed under \$2
Freight.All Claims must be settled on board
before delivery is taken, otherwise they
will not be recognized.RATES OF PASSAGE.
Cabin Steerage.
To Kobe, 1st Class, \$10
To Kobe, 2nd Class, \$7
To Kobe, 3rd Class, \$5A Reduction is made on RETURN CABIN
PASSENGERS.
Cargo and Passengers for Nagasaki
will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail
Steamer at Kobe.For further Particulars, apply at the
Company's Offices, PRIMA CENTRAL, West
Corner Postoffice Street.
H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
PEKING will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY,
the 15th October, 1881, at 3 p.m., taking
Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States, via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America, by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.On prepaid RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS a
Reduction of 25 % is made.Freight will be received on board until 4
p.m. on the 14th instant. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.,
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Offices in Suez Canal, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 50, Queen's Road Central.
F. E. FOSTER,
Genl. Agent for China & Japan.

Hongkong, October 1, 1881. oc15

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,
MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI,
ANCONA, VENICE, TRIESTE,
SOUTHAMPTON, AND LONDON.ALSO
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN
GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES,
HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND
BOSTON.THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
ROSETTA, Captain A. E. BARLOW, with
Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched
for this port for LONDON direct, via SUEZ
CANAL and the usual Ports of Call, on
MONDAY, the 17th October, at 4 p.m.Cargo will be received on board until
10 a.m. on the day of departure.
Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office
until 10 a.m. on the day of departure.For further Particulars, regarding
FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the
PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.The Contents and Value of Packages are
required to be declared prior to shipment.
Shippers are particularly requested to
note the terms and conditions of the Com-
pany's Black Bills of Lading.A. McIVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, October 5, 1881. oc17NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, SYRIAN PORTS, NAPLES,
MARSEILLES, PORTS OF BRAZIL,
AND LA PLATA.ALSO
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.ON MONDAY, the 24th day of October,
1881, at Noon, the Company's S.S.
IRAGUTADY, Commandant DUBIER,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon of 23rd October.Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on
the 23rd October, 1881. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agency's Office.)Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 7, 1881. oc24

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
"Ningpo,"
Captain R. Carr, will be
despatched for the above
Port TO-MORROW, the 9th instant, at
10 a.m., instead of as previously notified.For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, October 8, 1881. oc9FOR PORT DARWIN, ADELAIDE,
MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY.The Steamship
"Hogartian,"
will leave for the above
Ports, via SINGAPORE,
on TUESDAY, the 11th instant, at 4 p.m.,
instead of as previously notified.For Freight or Passage, apply to
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, October 8, 1881. oc11

FOR MANILA.

The Steamship
"Cascaquina,"
Captain COLLIER, will be
despatched for the above
Port on WEDNESDAY, the 12th inst., at
4 p.m.For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, October 8, 1881. oc12

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The Steamship
"Cascaquina,"
Captain FRASER, will be
despatched for the above
Port on FRIDAY, the 14th inst., at 3 p.m.For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, October 8, 1881. oc14FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.The Steamship
"Leopold,"
Captain DAVID SCOTT,
will be despatched for the
above Ports on SATURDAY, the 15th
instant, at 3 p.m.For Freight or Passage, apply to
JAIRDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, October 8, 1881. oc15

FOR LONDON.

The Steamship
"Metz,"
expected to arrive on or
about the 10th instant,
will have immediate despatch as above, and
has Accommodation for a few Passengers.Apply to
LINSTED & DAVIS.
Hongkong, October 8, 1881.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:EDWARD PHINNEY, Amer. barque, Capt.
John Barry.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
ELVIRA DOVALE, Hawaiian ship, Captain
Jose M. Pimentel.—Captain.HINDOO, German steamer, Captain J. C.
Mathieson.—Wieler & Co.
HOPK, American ship, Captain H. Curtis.
—Douglas Laik & Co.LENNON, British steamer, Captain D.
Scott.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LIDO, British steamer, Captain L. Puddi-
combe.—Adams, Bell & Co.LOUNA, Ger. 3-masted schooner, Capt.
Schierloh.—Edward Schellhess & Co.
OCEAN, British steamer, Captain Henry
Webber.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.PEAK, American barque, Captain R.
Howes.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
STAR OF INDIA, British barque, Capt. H.
D. Roe.—Adams, Bell & Co.SYREN, American ship, Captain G. W.
Brown.—Douglas Laik & Co.
TIN TWEED, British ship, Captain J. M.
Whyte.—Russell & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Oct. 8, 4 a.m., *Haisan*, British steamer,
278 J. Speedy, Haiphong Sept. 30, and
Hoiboh Oct. 6, General.—Aronson.Oct. 8, *Chikling*, British steamer, 799,
S. M. Orr, Shanghai Sept. 4, General.—
SIEMSEN & Co.Oct. 8, *Lido*, British steamer, 620, Pad-
dicombe, Bangkok Sept. 28, Riss.—ADAM-
SON, BELL & Co.Oct. 8, *Dale*, British steamer, 645, J.
Thompson, Bangkok Sept. 29, General.—
YUEN FAR HONG.Oct. 8, *Penedo*, British steamer, 652, T.
S. Kenderdine, Saigon Oct. 3, General.—
TONG KEE.Oct. 8, *Vorwarts*, German steamer, 612,
H. Evers, Haiphong Oct. 1, and Hoiboh,
General.—WILTZ & Co.Oct. 8, *Imo*, German barque, 344, D. C.
Bosson, Nanchang Sept. 20, via Amoy
Oct. 6, Beans.—WILTZ & Co.DEPARTURES.
Oct. 8, *Flours Castle*, for Shanghai,
S. P. P. Mintz, for Amoy.

S. Bruns, for Hoiboh, &c.

S. Marie, for Nanchang.

S. Breconshire, for Yokohama.

S. Hindoo, for Nanchang.

S. Chop-sei, Chinese gunboat, for a
cruise.

S. Figueira, for San Francisco.

S. Chikling, for Canton.

S. Menzies, for Yokohama.

S. Simh, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.
Ningpo, for Shanghai.*Diamond*, for Amoy.*Leopold*, for Swatow and Amoy.*Smyniole*, for Bangkok.*Glendora*, for Shanghai.*Paladin*, for Hoiboh, &c.*Danube*, for Bangkok.*Patroclus*, for Amoy and Shanghai.*Cleveland*, for Swatow.PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per *Chikling*, from Shanghai, Mrs
Shinner and family, Dr. Murphy, MessrsDavis, Wolf, Halanta, and Stangan, and
60 Chinese.Per *Lido*, from Bangkok, 12 Chinese.
Per *Dale*, from Bangkok, 17 Chinese.
Per *Penedo*, from Saigon, 74 Chinese.
Per *Vorwarts*, from Haiphong, &c., 43
Chinese.DEPARTED.
Per *Flours Castle*, for Shanghai, Mr L.
Salomon.Per *Menzies*, for Yokohama: from
Hongkong, Mr Alfred Smith, and Sister
Violini; from Marseilles, Mr Walker and
servant, Messrs Guerinov, Mitchell, and
Domergue; from Naples, Mr Inselini;
from Singapore, Mr P. Wolfers.Per *Smyniole*, for Shanghai: from Hong-
kong, Mr Humphreys, Miss Bobbitt,
Miss Emerson, Mr Antonio Berthet, 6
Chinese, and 1 suang of str. Malacca;
from Marseilles, Mgr. Tagliabue and 13
Missionaries, Messrs McVeigh and Bark-
han, Sisters Francisc, Vincent, Marie,
Josephine, and Murgue, Ross Monti, and
Adela Castellan.Per *Brutus*, for Hoiboh, &c., 30 Chinese.
To DEPART.
Per *Danube*, for Bangkok, 253 Chinese.
Per *Patroclus*, for Amoy, 200 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Haisan* reports: Left
Haiphong at 10 a.m. Sept. 30th; arrived
in Hoiboh on Oct. 1st; had strong
S.W. breeze throughout. Oct. 2nd to
5th, strong N.E. gale with very heavy
squalls. Bar 29.75. Oct. 6th, moderated.
Discharged cargo, &c., and left at 1.30 p.m.The British steamer *Chikling* reports: From
Shanghai to Turnabout, light variable
air and calm; thence to port light north-
east and calm; arrived at 4.45 p.m.The British steamer *Dale* reports: Left
Bangkok on 29th Sept., experienced strong
South and S.W. winds and squalls, with
heavy rain, down Gulf of Siam, which con-
tinued to lat. 14° N. and 113° 30' E.; thence
to port moderate E. and N.E. winds and
cloudy weather.The British steamer *Penedo* reports: Left
Saigon at 8 p.m. Oct. 2nd; and Cape
St. James at 3 a.m. on the 3rd. Passed
Cape Padaran at 7 p.m. on the 4th, and
arrived at Hongkong at 11 a.m. on the 8th.From Cape St. James to lat. of Paracels
experienced strong South to S.S.W. winds
with confused sea, and a strong southerly
current which set in one day 12° E. 67
miles. Thence to Ladrones strong N.E. to
E.N.E. winds and high sea.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—
For SHANGHAI—
Per *Ningpo*, at 9.30 a.m., on Monday,
the 10th inst.For SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOOW.—
Per *Nemo*, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday,
the 10th inst.For HOIHOW, PAKHOI, AND HAI-
PHONG.—
Per *Huina*, at 5 p.m., on Monday,
the 10th inst.For SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, PORT
DARWIN, ADELAIDE, MEL-
BOURNE, AND SYDNEY, &c.—
Per *Imogen*, at 3.30 p.m., on Tues-
day, the 11th inst.For BANGKOK.—
Per *Dale*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the
14th inst.For KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Nigata Maru*, at 3.30 p.m., on Fri-
day, the 14th inst.MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—
The United States Mail Packet City of
Peking, will be despatched on SATUR-
DAY, the 10th instant, with Mails for
Japan, San Francisco, the United
States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c.,
which will be closed as follows:—2.15 p.m. Registry closes.
2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters
for Union Countries may be posted on
board the Packet with Late Fee of 10
cents extra Postage until the time of
departure.Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
cannot be accepted by this route.
Hongkong, October 2, 1881. oc15MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet *Imogene*
will be despatched on MONDAY,
the 24th October, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Naples, to Saigon, Suez,
Suez, Aden, Bombay, Ceylon, the
Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon,
and Gibraltar.The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The following hours are observed in closing
Mails, &c., by the British Contract
Packet:—Day of Departure.—
Noon.—Money Order Office closes.
3 p.m.—Registry of Letters closes.
Posting of all printed matter
and patterns ceases.4 p.m.—Mails closed, except for Late
Letters.
4.10 p.m.—Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 10 cents until4.30 p.m.—When the Post Office closes
entirely.
4.40 p.m.—Late Letters may be posted
on board the packet with Late
Fee of 10 cents until time of
departure.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, October 11.—
4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders in and
Subscribers to the City Hall, in Library.
4 p.m.—Hungarian leaves for Australia
Ports, via Foochow.Goods per *Flours Castle* undelivered after
this date subject to rank.WEDNESDAY, October 12.—
4 p.m.—*Imogen* leaves for Manila.
5.30 p.m.—Meeting of St. John Lodge.THURSDAY, October 13.—
8 a.m.—Meeting of Scotchmen (for St.
Andrew's Day) in the City Hall.FRIDAY, October 14.—
3 p.m.—*Cascaquina* leaves for San Fran-
cisco.4 p.m.—Mitsui Bishi Mail leaves for
Yokohama.Goods per *Seeds* undelivered after Noon
subject to rank and landing charges.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.
Daylight.—*Patroclus* leaves for Shanghai.
10 a.m.—*Ningpo* leaves for Shanghai.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

St. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—Rev. W. Jen-
nings, M.A., Colonial Chaplain. Morning
Service 11, Evening 5.00 (a short service).
Holy Communion every Sunday, except
the 2nd and 4th in the month.Military Service.—Rev. O. Gilbert Booth,
B.A., Military Chaplain. Parade Service
at 8 a.m. Holy Communion on the second
and fourth Sundays at the conclusion of
the Parade Service. [A Voluntary Service
is held in the Garrison Theatre at 7.45
p.m.]Union Church.—Soldiers' Service, 6.45
a.m. Morning Service, 11 a.m.—Rev. John
Colville.—Divine Service in Chinese, 2-3
p.m. every Sunday, with communion on first
Sunday of every month. Rev. C. J. Edge,
Rev. O. Gilbert Booth, B.A., Chaplain.
Service at 5 p.m. Holy Communion after
Service on the third Sunday in each month.
All the Seats are free.London Mission CHAPEL, Queen's Road
West.—Hongkong Christian Association
Service for Seamen, Sunday and Thursday,
7.30 p.m.St. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHURCH.—Rev.
J. Grundy, and Rev. Lo San Yuen. (All
Services in Chinese.) Morning Prayer,
Litanies, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, 11
a.m. Bible Class at 3 p.m. Preaching,
at 6

BEN DORAIN. (FROM DUNNAN'S "GALIC POEM," SO NAMED; TRANSLATED BY PROFESSOR BLACKIE.)

My delight it was to rise
With the early morning skies,
All glowed,
And to brush the dew height,
Where the deer in airy state
Went to go;
At least a hundred brace
Of the lofty antlered race,
When they left their sleeping-place
Light and gay;
When they stood in trim array,
And with low deep-breasted cry,
Plunged their heads into the sky,
From the brae:
When the hind, the proud, the fool,
Would be rolling in the pool
At her will,
Or the stag in gallant pride,
Would be strutting at the side
Of his haughty-headed bride,
On the hill,
And sweeter to my ear
Is the concert of the deer
In their roaring;
Than when Erin from her lyre
Warmest strains of Celtic fire
May be heard;
So delightful to my soul
As the bravely-crested raven
When they quicken their proud pace
And bow in the face:
Of Ben Dorain.

Nor will they stint the measure
Of their frolic and their pleasure
And their play,
When with airy-dotted snail
At their footstep will they ramble
O'er the brae;
With their prancing and their dancing,
And their rambling and their stamping,
And their plashing and their washing
In the pools,
Like heavy-limbed waddlers,
Light-hearted, gaily-headed
Little fowls.
No thirst have they beside
The mill-brook's flowing tide
And the pure well's liquid pride
Honey-sweet.
A spring of lively cheer,
Sparkling, cool, and clear,
And filtered through the sand—
At their feet:
'Tis a life-restoring food
To repair the wasted blood
The cheapest and the best in all the
land;
And vainly gold will try
For the Queen's own lips to buy
Such a treat.

From the rim it trickles down
Of the mountain's granite crown
Clear and bright,
Keen and eager though it go
Through your veins with lively flow,
Yet it knoweth not to roign
In the chambers of the brain.
With merriment:
Where the water-cresses grow
You will trace its quiet flow,
With mossy border yellow,
So mild, and soft, and mellow,
In its pouring.
With no almsy drops to trouble
The brightness of its bubble
As it threads its silver way
From the granite shoulders grey
Of Ben Dorain.

Then down the sloping side
It will slip with gleaming slide,
Gently gleaming,
Till it gather strength to leap,
With a light and foamy sweep,
To the corrie broad and deep,
Proudly swelling;
Then bounds amid the boulders,
Nash the shadow of the shoulders
Of Ben Dorain.
Through a country rough and shaggy,
So jaggy and so knaggy,
Full of hummocks and of hunches,
Full of stumps and tufts and bunches,
Full of bushes and of rushes,
In the glen.
Through rich green solitudes,
And widely hanging woods,
With blossom and with bell
In rich redunder swell,
And the pride
Of the mountain daisy there,
And the dross everywhere,
With the dross and with the air
Of a bride.

LOST HIS BOOKS.
"Say, John, can you pay me that bill?"
asked a soap and starch man of a Fulton
street laundryman. "Can't you pay me?"
"Can't, puvoy my billes. Slumbly
steals my books. Melican man loose
books no payee. Raise row. Say can't
find clouts. Chinaman allee same."
"What do you mean, you wall-eyed
heathen?" "Going to puvoy my billes
Board of Education. Allee time raise
hells, spend money and lose books.
You finde books no payee."
"Where'll I find your books, old chop
stick?" "You pay up, you'll find them
"You no bounce me?" "You cloward and
lie!" "You make me mad, Chinaman free
you out Joss damn quick. Melican man
spend money, makes me of self, and hire
man to steal books, Chinaman allee
same Melican man. K-y-s."
They are an imitative race, the Mongolian,
but then they don't thoroughly understand
the American methods of business. An
individual can't do what a corporate body
can, and the Chinaman will find it out
some day.—*Brooklyn Eagle.*

As he sat on the step on Sunday evening he
claimed the right to a kiss for every school
star. She at first demurred as became a
modest maiden, but finally yielded. She
was even so accommodating as to call his
attention to flying meteors that were about to
capitulate, and then to get him
down to steady work on the light of a lantern
that a man was swinging about a depot in
the distance where trains were switching.
A LAWYER in Central New York gives the
following account of one of his first cases.
My client sued a neighbor for the alleged
killing of a favourite dog. The proof con-
sisted in the mysterious disappearance of the
animal, and the possession of a dog's skin by
the defendant, which, after considerable argu-
ment, was brought into court in evidence.
It was marked, in a singular manner, and
was positively identified by my client as
being the plaintiff's wife and daughter, as the
undoubted integument of the deceased
"Boo." In summing up to the jury, I was
in the midst of a highly coloured picture
of the virtues of the deceased, and of the love
which she bore for her four-footed friend
when I was interrupted by a slight distur-
bance in the crowd near the door of the little
school-house which served as court-house.
Looking around, I saw my client's youngest
son, a two-headed urchin of twelve, coming
forward with a dog whose skin was the exact
counterpart of the one whose skin was
brought in evidence. The dog wagged his
tail with good-natured complacency, and the
boy cried, in this childish treble, "Paw,
"Boo" has come home." I gathered up my
law-books, and retreated, and I have never
had perfect confidence in circumstantial
evidence since.—*Harper's Magazine.*

CESSION OF PROPERTY IN CHINA AND JAPAN TO EUROPEANS. (Japan Gazette.)

We have before us a curious notification
issued in Hongkong in 1860 by order of the
Superintendent of Trade to which attention
may be directed. It sets out that a question
has arisen as to the law by which con-
tracts entered into with Her Majesty's
subjects on Chinese territory by Chinese
subjects for the cession of property in
China should be regulated. The matter was
referred to the Secretary of State, who
consulted the law officers. The latter re-
plied that they were of opinion that British
tribunals and judicial authorities in China
are bound to observe the rules and principles
of public or international law, as they are
settled and received by the common consent
of European nations; they do not consider
the cession of the acting Attorney-General of
Hongkong that the Chinese are to be consid-
ered beyond the pale of civilization. "In
all questions," they write, "that may come
before any British tribunal in China relating
to the ownership or occupation of
houses or lands, lying within the dominions
of the Emperor of China, the law and
custom of China, if they can be ascertained,
must govern the decision, unless by the
terms of the contract the law or usage of
some other country be imported into it;
and, if in any such case, the Chinese law
cannot be ascertained, the decision must be
governed by the principles of natural jus-
tice. There is no pretence for the in-
roduction of the English law of real prop-
erty. It is a universal principle of law
in Europe, that in all questions concerning
immovable property, the *lex loci rei sitæ*
prevails; and we think it both right and
useful that the same rule should be acted
on in the administration of justice in
China."

According to this notification, therefore,
if we substitute Japan for China, and all
questions connected with ownership or
occupation of land, unless the law or usage
of some other country be imported, the law
or usage of Japan must prevail. Fortunately,
the Japanese law of real property is not
very abstruse, and even simple as it is, it
is not likely to be frequently appealed to.
But it is curious to observe that, in the
opinion of the English law officers, a con-
tract for the sale and lease of land situated
in Japan made between two Englishmen, is
interpreted in an English court in case of a
dispute by Japanese law and usage, or by
the right of natural justice, and not by the
English law of real property, which they
say, there is no pretence for importing into
the question at all.

RUSSIAN ADVANCES IN ASIA.

In the House of Commons on the 19th
August, Mr. Ashmead-Bartlett asked the
Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
whether the British Cabinet had addressed
a remonstrance to Russia upon the fact that
Asakhab, which he stated a few weeks ago
was the extreme limit of the Russian out-
posts, had been made the headquarters of
the Russian commander, and occupied by a
large force, Asakhab being over 300 miles
nearer British India than Krasnovodsk, the
Caspian, which was General Skobeleff's
headquarters a year ago; whether it was
true that the Russian cavalry had recently
been surveying the Kerghiz road, close to
Mashed, the capital of Persian Khorassan
as their nearest boundary, which the
British Government intended to protest
against the violation of Persian territory by
the Russian generals, and to insist upon
the presence of a British officer on the De-
limitation Commission for the Persian
Frontier; whether he had seen the state-
ment of the correspondence of the *Edinburgh*
privately in Central Asia—that "in a very
short time the Tekkes themselves will
furnish the White Bear with excellent
cavalry. The main result is this. The
road to Herat is broadly open, without the
least fear of danger, without the least diffi-
culty to encounter. There is nothing more
than to march some 250 miles, and to say,
'I'y suis.' The Tekkes, the bravest people
of Turkistan, have submitted. The road
to Herat has behind it a good railroad to
convey men and provisions. It is only an
affair of a year or two, and amid admi-
rable conditions of security, rest, and every kind
of facility. What could Persia do against
Russia? Russia is about to put her hands
upon the keys which will open to her the
gates of Afghanistan; and whether he
could state how much of the Russian rail-
way from the Caspian towards Herat was
already completed.

Sir O. Dilke feared that he could add
very little to what had already been said
about these matters. He had frequently
stated that there was a Russian force at
Asakhab. With regard to the second
branch of the question, he could only say
that the Government had not heard of any
crossing of the Persian frontier by Russian
cavalry, and that they had no intention of
protecting against a violation of territory
of which they had not even heard. The
question of the proposed presence of a
British officer on the Delimitation Com-
mission for the Persian frontier was under
consideration. The fourth branch of the
question consisted of a long quotation from
a French newspaper, which he had not
perusing news. The subject to which the
fifth branch of the question referred had
already been explained in the House of
Commons. He could not give the House
any fresh information on that subject.

The flag-stone, twenty-five feet and three inches
long, fifteen feet wide and eight inches thick,
was found at Heston, near the station, and was
transported to the city in a canal boat
that had been specially prepared for the
purpose, and on its arrival there was taken
out of a floating derrick, which was towed
to a dock as near as possible to the stone's
destination. Then the stone was loaded on
iron trucks prepared expressly for it, and
drawn by six teams of horses to its present
resting place. To prevent any possibility of
cracking by the settling of the sand on which
flag-stones are generally laid, three walls
of solid masonry were constructed, on which
the stone rests. The stone is said to be the
largest one ever laid, and it cost from \$5000
to \$6000 to quarry, transport and lay it.

"I don't see how I'd get along without
Mary," observed Mrs. Blucher, observing
the penmanship from her aged features
and put another ladle of soup into the
steaming suds, while her
daughter's voice at the piano could be dis-
tinctly recognized, floating out from the ad-
joining parlor. "I don't see how I'd get along
without that gal, now. Always on my mind
when I lay the thing that she just
picks out her nicest pieces, like 'Sweet rest-
by-and-by,' and 'Mother's growing old,'
and sings 'em far me afore she goes out on
the lawn to play croquet with the other
young folks. Tains every gal as'd be so
thoughtful, I kin tell you. Now, most on 'em
just bang away with 'Jordan is a hard
day to travel,' or 'Whooop me up, Eliza
Jane,' but she ain't none 'at sort. She's
a pile o' comfort to me—a pile o' comfort."
Mrs. Blucher fanned herself vigorously
with her soiled apron, preparatory to
running the clothes through the second wa-
ter.—*Golden Amer.*

THE CHINESE IN THE STRAITS. (China Review.)

Mr. Vaughan, one of the oldest residents
in the Straits, published some time ago a
most amusing little work illustrative of the
manners and customs of the Chinese Colo-
nists there, of which we have great pleasure in
acknowledging the receipt. As a record of
personal experience it is peculiarly valuable,
seeing that Mr. Vaughan, as Chief of the
Police at Pinang, and as Police Magistrate
at Singapore, has had exceptional opportuni-
ties for collecting materials for arriving at a
matured, and, as we fancy, a correct judg-
ment. His estimate of the Chinaman is a
very high one; and what he has said about
him we have no doubt will go far to "con-
vince" the Chinese of this Colony (i.e., Singa-
pore) are a superior race and worthy of all
encouragement by our Government, and
long as the indulgence accorded to them do
not infringe on the liberties or comfort of
their fellow-citizens."

Unlike the German, the Swiss, or the Nor-
wegian, who after emigrating to America,
are quietly absorbed and become anthro-
poids of the Great Republic; or the
English Jew, who is more intensely English
than the Englishman himself, the Chinaman
keeps up his distinctive national traditions
and customs wherever he goes. Although
well aware that the queue is a badge of
servitude, they still adhere to it, and no greater
virtude can be offered to a Baba (i.e., Straits-
born Chinaman) than to cut off his queue or
threaten to do so. "Strange to say," re-
marks Mr. Vaughan, "that although the
Babers show so loyally to the customs of
their country, they are not so loyal to the
manners and customs of the real China."
In fact, the Babers are a very different
thing to the Chinese proper; and nothing
they rejoice in more than being British
subjects. The writer has seen Babers, on
being asked if they were Chinese, bustle up
and say in an offended tone "I am not a
Chinaman; I am a British subject, an
Orange-brown Briton, a white man, and I
am proud of it." In fact, the Babers are
not a rule has no desire to visit China, as
he does not regard it as his home as the de-
scendants of Englishmen do the old country,
wherever they may be born." He talks of
China as a foreign country.

With regard to the position of the Babers
women, we gather incidentally from Mr.
Vaughan's pages, that a decided improve-
ment for the better has taken place. Their
feet are not bound, dozens may be met to
every turning, trudging along to market, or
to the right of nature, and other things, or
shopping, all of which implies at least a free-
dom from constraint. The Chinese woman
is a domestic slave in the Straits. In their
leisure hours, the women amuse themselves
by making purses, ornaments for bad hang-
ings, children's caps, and other fancy work.
Women are exceedingly fond of
pencils. Every Sunday large parties of
them may be seen driving out with their
children to spend the day in the country,
fishing, bathing, and not unfrequently
gambling. Sometimes they play for love, as
all are, but more often for money.

We are glad to learn that the Secret So-
cieties, so long a source of annoyance to the
residents in the Straits, are losing their power
and gradually becoming what they ought to be,
and perhaps what they were originally
intended to be, benevolent Societies, with a
dash of mystery and ceremony thrown in
order to satisfy human nature's craving for
the marvellous. Knowing how great the
desire in the Chinaman's heart is for pos-
sible recognition by his descendants and
friends, it is not unnatural that these
unmarried Chinamen in a foreign land should
in their thousands join Societies whose very
object it is to swell his funeral procession
and worship at his tablet after death. Is
not such a feeling in the Chinaman similar
to that which many of our countrymen have
sometimes felt? We should like to be mis-
sed when we die.

The following is a new way of getting out
of an official difficulty. "It is said, as a
joke, that nothing charmed the Chinese in
Laurelmore, when Mr. Pickering, the present
Protector of Englishmen, was on the point
of leaving the Straits, was sent with Major Dunlop,
R.A., Inspector General of Police, to Larut
in Perak, to settle some disputes that existed
between rival societies and tribes,
causing the inhabitants of Penang a great
deal of trouble and annoyance. When the
Chinese were asked to play on the
bagpipes, Chinese tune was played. He
quite won their hearts like Orpheus of old,
and the result was that the Chinese became
most tractable. The rival parties shook
hands, peace was restored, and Major Dunlop
and Mr. Pickering returned to Penang with
flying colours. The effect of the bagpipes
was magical. When the party was marching
up to the Stockade, and it was not quite cer-
tain how they would be received, Mr. Pic-
kerling would strike up on his pipes. The
Chinese would look out of their strongholds,
and, on hearing the sound of the bagpipes,
wonder, and march along in his wake some-
thing delighted with what they doubtless
thought was Chinese music." From this
story, joke or no joke, which we have
reason to believe is true, we see that the
question of the Chinese were not so very far
from when they laid so much stress on the
cultivation and benefits of music. Truly the
bagpipe is a wonderful instrument, what
better adapted for exciting martial ardor!
We have just seen how it can soothe the
savage breast.

We have lagged over this amusing and
valuable little book longer than we intended,
and lay it aside with regret. It has unfor-
tunately been carelessly edited, the very
title page is not free from a gross blunder
in spelling!

"The Manners and Customs of the Chinese
of the Straits Settlements," by J. D. Vaughan,
Barister-at-law, Advocate and Solicitor of
the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements.
Singapore: Printed at the Mission Press, 1879.

A MAN in Orange country coughed up a
live animal that looked like a devil-fish.
The doctors say he drank it in water. They
claim that the water is full of germs of such
parasites, which develop inside of a man.
As John B. Gough drinks nothing but cold
water, he must have quaffed a number of
these things inside of him. At any rate it
looks like it.

McCabe was a great practical joker. Se-
veral years ago he was on board a Missis-
sippi River steamer, and found an acquain-
tance with the engineer, was allowed the
freedom of the engine-room. He took a seat
in a corner, and pulling his hat down over
his eyes, appeared lost in reverie. Present-
ly a certain part of the machinery began to
squeak. The engineer oiled it, and went
about his usual duties. In the course of a few
minutes the squeaking was heard again, and
the engineer rushed over, oil can in hand,
to lubricate the same spindle. Again he
returned to his post, but it was only a few
minutes until the same old spindle was
squeaking louder than ever. Presently the
squeaking ceased. "All right," said the en-
gineer, "the job was too good that the
McCabe could not keep it, and he often talks
it with as much relish as his auditors receive it."

THE CHINESE MINISTER TO BERLIN AT VIENNA.

The Vienna correspondent of the *L. d. C.*
Express writes as follows, under date Aug.
30th:

His Excellency the Chinese Minister at
Berlin, Li-Fong-Pao, has made a journey
to this city to present his credentials at the
Court. The letter which H.E. Li-Fong-Pao
delivered to the Emperor of Austria was
not written by the Chinese Minister him-
self, but by his Chancellor, on a large
sheet of yellow silk in Chinese characters.
The letter was framed by a member of the
academy as learned men in the classical
Mandarin style. The letter, after the cus-
tomary greeting, states that the Emperor
of China wishes to make known the fact
that China regards all nations of the world
as one large family, who ought to live
peacefully with one another. The Emperor
accordingly desires also to live in peace
with the large and mighty Empire "An
Qu" (Austria), and so forth. The writing
bears no signature, but in place thereof the
Imperial "chop" in an oblong square
printed in vermilion. The seal bears the
following words—"Ta Tsing, Housing Li,
Li-Fong-Pao" (in English—"King Emperor
Imperial great seal"). It is strange that
the Chinese allow the same title of Housing-
Li (Celestial ruler) of their own Emperor
to the Emperor Franz Joseph, who is de-
signated by the Chinese as "Qu Housing-
Li," whereas the King of Italy is addressed
merely as "Quo Wan" (King).

The Emperor received the Chinese Min-
ister on the 27th instant. Li-Fong-Pao
addressed the Emperor in German, express-
ing the hope that the friendship between
Austria and China, which has never been
disturbed, might ever continue to increase
to the mutual benefit of both nations. The
Emperor made a suitable reply and invited
H.E. to a banquet which took place yester-
day. It is understood that the diplomatic
relations now opened between the two Em-
pires will have a favorable effect on
the commercial dealings with each other.
The Austro-Hungarian Government will
as soon as possible endeavor to negotiate a
Commercial Treaty with China on the
basis of "the most favoured nation clause."
Chinese Consulates are to be established at
Vienna and Trieste. Between Trieste and
Shanghai it is intended that there shall be
a regular service of steamers of the Austrian
Lloyd-Line.

"This Chief" in *Vanity Fair* writes—
"When Admiral Gore Jones was ap-
pointed to the East India command I pointed
out that his previous history, which was one
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Intimations.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries* on China and Japan has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

THE *China Review*, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$4.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Languages and Customs, Natural History, Monisms, Tibet, Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a résumé in each number of the contents of the most recent and unpublished notices concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the *Queries* proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1881, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review.

It is a pity that the *China Review* is not a monthly publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which would be a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China.

The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom the high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the *Review* by papers highly creditable to their respective authors.

In a paper on *Legge's Shih King*, by the Rev. E. J. Eitel, to which the place of honour is cheerfully given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connection with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style, and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. O. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the *Review*, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may make a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

This paper is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at *Four Dollars* per annum delivered in Hongkong, or *Seven Dollars Fifty Cents* including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese newspaper ever issued under purely native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also are to be found the guarantors and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projection, being that estimates upon the most reliable information from the various ports in China and Japan, from Australia, California, Singapore, Penang, Saigon, and other places frequented by the Chinese, consider themselves justified in guaranteeing a circulation of between 3,000 and 4,000 copies. The advantages offered to advertisers are therefore unusually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

The field open to a paper of this description conducted by native efforts, but progressive and anti-obstructive in tone, is almost limitless. It on the one hand commands Chinese belief and interest while on the other it deserves every aid that can be given to it by foreigners. Like English journals it contains Editorials, Local Shipping, and Commercial News and Advertisements.

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported today.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore B., and those in the body of the Harbour C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
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5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.
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Bellona. 4. Roper. Brit. str. 789. Oct. 11. Russell & Co. Swatow. 15th inst.

Cassopella. 4. Fraser. Brit. str. 5079. Oct. 11. P. M. S. S. Co. Swatow. 15th inst.

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